

**ABSTRACT**

[0026] This invention relates to trailer assistance apparatus and method of use of the apparatus. More specifically, a trailer docking assistance device is disclosed having an inflexible, fixed marker member permanently secured to a magnetic mounting member  
5 sized to reversibly attach the marker member to a towing vehicle. Additionally, this invention relates to a trailer hitch step assembly comprising trailer hitch comprising mounting plate adapted to be received and secured to a bumper, a base member having a top and bottom surface, and two sided surface attached to said mounting plate and forming a base for a hitch ball wherein said hitch ball is substantially lower than said  
10 bumper; and a plate fixedly attached to said bottom surface of said base member having a plurality of flanges projecting substantially perpendicularly to said side surface of said base member to form a plurality of foot steps. This invention also provides a method to use these trailer assistance apparatuses.